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**PATENT****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****APPLICANT: CAROLINE KOUTS****ART UNIT:****SERIAL NO.: 10/531,096 ✓****EXAMINER:****FILED: CONCURRENTLY HEREWITH****P.C.T. APPLICATION NO.: PCT/AU2004/000803****P.C.T. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE: JUNE 18, 2004****PRIORITY CLAIM: JULY 2, 2003****TITLE: COMBINATION CARRY BAG****REPLY TO THE NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS  
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In reply to the "Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371," dated

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December 5, 2005, Applicant in the above-identified patent application hereby submits the following documents:

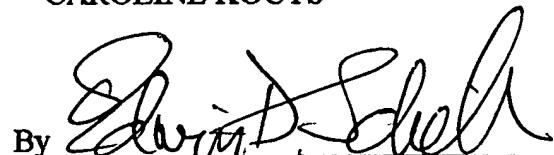
1. Copy of "Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US);"
2. Declaration/Power of Attorney executed by Applicant; and,
3. Information Disclosure Statement w/Form PTO-1449 and three cited references.

No surcharge payment is due in support of the filing of the Declaration at this time, inasmuch as the 30<sup>th</sup>-month deadline from the claimed priority date of July 2, 2003, will not expire until Tuesday, January 3, 2006.

Authorization is also given to charge Applicant's Attorney's Deposit Account (Account No. 19-0450) for any additional fees or costs which may be due in connection with the prosecution of the above-identified patent application.

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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
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- Preliminary Amendments filed on 04/07/2005
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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

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